

Senate Resolution 329

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Thomas of the 54th, Staton of the 18th, Hill of the 4th, Goggans of the 7th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia's emergency medical services professionals and recognizing
2 Emergency Medical Services Week; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, through a coordinated, state-wide network, the emergency medical services
4 professionals of Georgia respond to almost one million calls for assistance annually, risking
5 their lives on a daily basis to go to the aid of those in need; and

6 WHEREAS, there are well over 15,000 emergency medical personnel in this state; and

7 WHEREAS, their dedication gives Georgians peace of mind in knowing that, should the
8 need arise, there will be a well-trained and compassionate emergency medical services
9 professional available to render swift and effective assistance; and

10 WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and
11 recovery rate of persons stricken with sudden illness or injury; and

12 WHEREAS, Georgia's emergency medical services system is celebrating its thirty-fourth
13 year of service in 2007.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body commends
15 Georgia's first responders, emergency medical technicians, cardiac technicians, and
16 paramedics for their outstanding service to the people of this state and recognizes May 20
17 through May 26, 2007, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
19 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Courtney Terwilliger, President of the
20 Georgia Association of Emergency Medical Services, and Marty Billings, Director of the
21 Georgia Office of Emergency Medical Services of the Department of Human Resources,
22 Division of Public Health.